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**Response and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 and 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

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**Introductory Comments**

This paper is filed in response to the Examiner's rejection of Claims 1 and 6-24 dated 10 August 2005. Applicants request an extension of time of three months pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 136(a). Applicant authorizes the Office to charge the necessary fee for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 05-0840 in the name of Eli Lilly and Company.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the Applicants' arguments.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.